

## **IC 10-17-12**

### **Chapter 12. Military Family Relief Fund**

## **IC 10-17-12-0.5**

### **Application**

Sec. 0.5. This chapter applies after December 31, 2006.

*As added by P.L.58-2006, SEC.8.*

## **IC 10-17-12-1**

### **"Active duty"**

Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "active duty" means full-time service in:

- (1) a reserve component of the armed forces; or
- (2) the national guard;

for a period that exceeds thirty (30) consecutive days in a calendar year.

*As added by P.L.58-2006, SEC.8.*

## **IC 10-17-12-2**

### **"Armed forces"**

Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "armed forces" includes the reserve components of the following:

- (1) The United States Army.
- (2) The United States Navy.
- (3) The United States Marine Corps.
- (4) The United States Air Force.
- (5) The United States Coast Guard.

*As added by P.L.58-2006, SEC.8.*

## **IC 10-17-12-3**

### **"Commission"**

Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "commission" refers to the veterans' affairs commission established by IC 10-17-1-3.

*As added by P.L.58-2006, SEC.8.*

## **IC 10-17-12-4**

### **"Department"**

Sec. 4. As used in this chapter, "department" refers to the Indiana department of veterans' affairs established by IC 10-17-1-2.

*As added by P.L.58-2006, SEC.8.*

## **IC 10-17-12-5**

### **"Director"**

Sec. 5. As used in this chapter, "director" refers to the director of veterans' affairs.

*As added by P.L.58-2006, SEC.8.*

## **IC 10-17-12-6**

### **"Fund"**

Sec. 6. As used in this chapter, "fund" refers to the military family

relief fund established by section 8 of this chapter.  
*As added by P.L.58-2006, SEC.8.*

#### **IC 10-17-12-7**

##### **"National guard"**

Sec. 7. As used in this chapter, "national guard" means:

- (1) the Indiana Army National Guard; or
- (2) the Indiana Air National Guard.

*As added by P.L.58-2006, SEC.8.*

#### **IC 10-17-12-8**

##### **Establishment of the fund; purpose**

Sec. 8. (a) The military family relief fund is established beginning January 1, 2007, to provide assistance with food, housing, utilities, medical services, basic transportation, and other essential family support expenses that have become difficult to afford for families of Indiana residents who are:

- (1) members of:
  - (A) a reserve component of the armed forces; or
  - (B) the national guard; and
- (2) called to active duty after September 11, 2001.

(b) The department shall expend the money in the fund exclusively to provide grants for assistance as described in subsection (a).

(c) The director shall administer the fund.

*As added by P.L.58-2006, SEC.8.*

#### **IC 10-17-12-9**

##### **Funding sources; investment; nonreversion**

Sec. 9. (a) The fund consists of the following:

- (1) Appropriations made by the general assembly.
- (2) Donations to the fund.
- (3) Interest as provided in subsection (b).
- (4) Money transferred to the fund from other funds.
- (5) Annual supplemental fees collected under IC 9-29-5-38.5.
- (6) Money from any other source authorized or appropriated for the fund.

(b) The treasurer of state shall invest the money in the fund not currently needed to meet the obligations of the fund in the same manner as other public money may be invested. Interest that accrues from these investments shall be deposited in the fund.

(c) Money in the fund at the end of a state fiscal year does not revert to the state general fund or to any other fund.

(d) There is annually appropriated to the department for the purposes of this chapter all money in the fund not otherwise appropriated to the department for the purposes of this chapter.

*As added by P.L.58-2006, SEC.8.*

#### **IC 10-17-12-10**

##### **Authority to adopt rules**

Sec. 10. The commission may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 for the provision of grants under this chapter. The rules adopted under this section must address the following:

- (1) Uniform need determination procedures.
- (2) Eligibility criteria.
- (3) Application procedures.
- (4) Selection procedures.
- (5) Coordination with other assistance programs.
- (6) Other areas in which the department determines that rules are necessary to ensure the uniform administration of the grant program under this chapter.

*As added by P.L.58-2006, SEC.8.*

#### **IC 10-17-12-11**

##### **Authority to request appropriations**

Sec. 11. The director or a member of the commission may make a request to the general assembly for an appropriation to the fund.

*As added by P.L.58-2006, SEC.8.*

#### **IC 10-17-12-12**

##### **Donations; Internet capability**

Sec. 12. The director shall establish the capability to receive donations to the fund from the public on the department's Internet site.

*As added by P.L.58-2006, SEC.8.*